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Museums & Cultural Affairs

The City of El Paso Public Arts Committee (PAC) Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 3:30 PM City Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm.
2. **Roll Call: Members Present:** Anna Aleman, Melissa Barba-Espinosa, Kim Bauer, Jeannine Kennedy, Marina Monsisvais (Chair), Jane Thomas.
Members Absent: Rida Asfahani, Robert Gonzalez, Ken Gorski.
Others Present: Pat Dalbin, Alejandra Carrillo, Misty Castaneda.
3. **Public Comment:** None.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Chair asked for approval of the Minutes for the last meeting on December 11, 2012. Melissa Barba-Espinosa motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Anna Aleman seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
5. **Discussion and Action on the National and Regional Artists Selected for the City of El Paso Triple A Baseball Stadium Project by the Artist Selection Panel.** Pat Dalbin began by reminding members that at the last meeting, the method for choosing a national artist to work with the design team for a \$500,000 project was discussed, as was the method for selecting a regional artist for a \$250,000 project. Both will be tasked with creating something that reflects the history of baseball in our region. Additionally, 2-3 local artists will be chosen to showcase their work that speaks about El Paso. The national artist selected was Ball-Nogues. The selection panel, which included the architect, was looking for an artist who did work that was interactive and interesting. Gaspar Enriquez was selected as the regional artist because his work was very strong and not stereotypical. Images of the artists' past work were provided via a PowerPoint slideshow. There was not a big pool for local artists, and there were a lot of muralists. Because Gaspar Enriquez is a muralist, there were worries that his work may overshadow others, and it was decided to extend the call for local artists until January 21st. Any artists working in metals and sculpture are strongly encouraged to apply, and those chosen will add functional elements to gathering spaces throughout the baseball stadium. General discussion followed. Chair requested a motion to approve the selected artists. Jeannine Kennedy moved to accept the two artists as presented for the art project; Kim Bauer seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
6. **Adjournment.** Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Jane Thomas so moved; Melissa Barba-Espinosa seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm. Next meeting scheduled for February 12, 2013.

Approved for content by:
Patricia Dalbin, Public Art Program Coordinator

Respectfully submitted by:
Misty Castaneda, Administrative Assistant

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